

<b>Policy number</b>	Policy 203
<b>Policy title</b>	Stormwater runoff containment
<b>Strategic outcomes supported</b>	EN5 – Providing facilities that are well-built and well-maintained

### Policy objective:

To provide guidance on connections from private property to the Towns stormwater drainage system with an outline of the Town’s requirements.

### Policy scope:

This policy applies to the management of stormwater drainage in the Town.

### Policy definitions:

**Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP):** means the probability of an event being either equalled to or exceeded within a given year.

**Permissible Site Discharge (PSD):** Is the maximum rate of discharge permitted by the Town that can be accommodated by the existing downstream stormwater system.

**Freeboard:** Is the vertical allowance made between the design water level and some identifiable/specific point, such as a bridge, top of an embankment or finished floor levels in adjacent buildings.

### Policy statement:

1. Where topographical or ground conditions make it impractical for a proposed development to accommodate a 1% AEP storm event (traditionally referred to as a 1 in 100 year event), an overland overflow route may be considered subject to permissible site discharge requirements having been determined by the proponent and approved by the Town.
2. Where stormwater overflow discharge from a residential or commercial property is proposed, a detailed justification is required encompassing the following documentation;
  1. Geotechnical report detailing requirements for offsite stormwater containment
  2. A comprehensive stormwater plan certified by a Hydraulic Engineer
  3. Approval from the Town’s Street Improvement Business Unit.
3. Where there is concern regarding the pollution of the stormwater generated on such a property, the stormwater must be adequately treated and retained on site.
4. In circumstances where flood routing options are limited (e.g trapped low points) and stormwater cannot be conveyed adequately from private property into the Towns road network and/or subsequent drainage pipes, the proposed building pad shall be recommended to be designed such that stormwater will not inundate the habitable floor area during a 1%AEP storm event. Wherever possible, the building pad shall be recommended to be provided with a minimum freeboard of 300mm.

5. Any civil works required to accommodate an overflow discharge into the Town’s stormwater drainage system shall be undertaken by the proponent at their expense.

## Related documents

[Local Government Act 1995 s.3.25 \(1\) Schedule 3.1\(1\)](#)

<b>Responsible officers</b>	-
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